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## **REMARKS**

In response to the Examiner's Election of Species Requirement, Applicant hereby elects the species of Group 1 (Figure 1) on which at least claims 1, 2 (now canceled and incorporated into independent claim 1), 4, 5, 6, 8, 11, 13, 15, 16, 18, and 21 are readable, with traverse. That is, contrary to the Examiner's assertions, close study and review of the species indicate that claims 1, 4, 5, 6, 11, 13, and 21 are generic to all species. Applicant reserves the opportunity to file Divisional Applications for the non-elected species later.

Further, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner's acknowledgment of the priority documents filed on November 20, 2003.

Early, favorable prosecution on the merits is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner find the application to be other than in condition for allowance, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the local telephone number listed below to discuss any other changes deemed necessary in a <u>telephonic or personal interview</u>.

A conditional petition is made for any extension of time which may become necessary. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees for such extension and to credit any overpayment in fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully Submitted,

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